

EXHIBIT 4

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
RE: P. O. THOMAS TAYLOR
SPECIAL – 9/8/02.

Sep. 9, 2002, 8:30 p.m.
Boston Police Homicide Unit.

(PLEASE NOTE:.....dots indicate transcriber could not get what was said).

Conducting this interview are Sgt. Det. James J. Wyse and Sgt. Det. Daniel Coleman, Boston Police Homicide Unit. Present are Atty. Thomas Drechsler and Atty Eric Goldman, attorneys for Thomas Taylor

STATEMENT OF THOMAS TAYLOR

SGT. DET. WYSE:

- Q It is Monday, September 9th, the year 2002. The time now is approximately 8:30 p.m. We're conducting an interview with Officer Thomas Taylor, Junior assigned to Boston Police Department District 3 relative to a police involved shooting that occurred on September 8, 2002, in the vicinity of Fayston and Dunkeld Street, in Roxbury. For the record conducting this interview is Sgt. Det. Daniel Coleman and myself Sergeant James J. Wyse. Accompanying Officer Taylor are his attorneys, Attorney Thomas Drechsler and Attorney Eric Goldman. Sir, for the record, could you kindly state your name and spell it.
- A Thomas Taylor, Junior. T-H-O-M-A-S Taylor, T-A-Y-L-O-R, Junior.
- Q And the other night you ID number?
- A 1-zero-9-7-2.
- Q And where are you presently assigned?
- A Ah, District 3.
- Q And when were you appointed to this job?
- A September of 93. September 7th, I believe.

Q Okay. Now before I ask you any more questions I want to give you, advice you of your Miranda Warnings. Before we ask you any questions you must understand your rights. You have the right to remain silent. Do you understand that?

A Yes.

Q Anything you say can be used against you in a court of law or other proceeding. Do you understand that?

A Yes.

Q You have the right to talk to a lawyer for advice before we ask you any questions and to have him or her present with you during the questions. Do you understand that?

A Yes.

Q If you cannot afford a lawyer and you want one a lawyer will be provided for you by the Commonwealth without cost to you. Do you understand that?

A Yes.

Q If you decide to answer questions now without a lawyer present you will still have the right to stop answering at any time until you talk to a lawyer. Do you understand that?

A Yes.

Q Okay. Now I read you your rights and you understand them fully?

A Yes, sir.

Q And for the record we do have a lawyer present?

A Yes.

Q Okay. Counselor Drechsler could you kindly state your name and spell it.

ATTY. DRECHSLER: Attorney Tom Drechsler, D-R-E-C-H-S-L-E-

R I represent Officer Taylor.

Q Okay. And Attorney Goldman.

ATTY. GOLDMAN: Eric Goldman, G-O-L-D-M-A-N with Tom
Drechsler also representing Officer Taylor.

Q Okay. Officer Taylor, on Sunday morning, September 8th, 2002 were you
working that evening or that morning?

A Yes, I was.

Q And where were you assigned?

A Ah, Area B-3.

Q And were you assigned as a one-man or a two-man car?

A Two, two person car.

Q And what car was that?

A I believe it was the Charlie 1-0-3 Alpha.

Q And who were you assigned with?

A Ah, Officer Michael Paillant.

Q And were you in a marked, is that a marked police cruiser?

A Yes, it is.

Q Okay. And were you in a police uniform, full police uniform?

A Yes, I was.

Q As was your partner?

A Yes.

Q Earlier prior to this interview we were having a conversation. Is that correct?

A Yes, sir.

Q And during that course of time did we discuss you responding to a call in the vicinity of Harvard Street on District 3?

A Yes.

Q Okay. Ah, what was that call?

A It was something of a sexual nature, a sexual assault and stuff..

Q It was a sexual assault and did that investigation lead you to stopping a suspect?

A Yes.

Q After you stopped that suspect what occurred next?

A Ah, we were going to bring the suspect back to Harvard Street for an ID purpose. Ah, when we returned back to Harvard Street the complainant there had left and I was told had head home to 85 Fayston Street.

Q And after you had learned that she went to 85 Fayston Street what did you do?

A We proceeded to go to 85 Fayston Street with the possible suspect.

Q And did you finally arrive at 85 Fayston Street?

A Yes.

Q What did you do when you arrived at Fayston Street?

A Ah, Mike, Michael was driving so he parked the car and I went to go and get

the victim to ID, ah, the person we had in the back of the cruiser.

Q Did you, did he park the vehicle in front of 85 Fayston Street?

A No.

Q Do you recall where he parked the vehicle?

A Ah, in front of 79 or 77 I believe Fayston.

Q Would that be fair to say that it was closer to Dunkeld Street?

A Yes.

Q Okay. And did you in fact meet the complainant?

A Yes, I did.

Q Okay. So you got out of the vehicle and went to. Did your partner come with you?

A No, he stayed back with the vehicle.

Q And was he in the vehicle the entire time or was he outside of the vehicle?

A No, he was outside.

Q Okay. And did you in fact meet the complainant?

A Yes, I did.

Q And did you return back to the cruiser with her?

A Ah, I was began to, but I never made it back to the cruiser with her.

Q Why didn't you make it back to the cruiser?

A Ah, while we were walking back from 85, ah, Michael had made a noise that something had caught his attention.

Q Now Michael is Officer Paillant?

A. Yes.

Q. And your attention was diverted to Officer Paillant?

A. Yes.

Q. And why was that, what was unusual, what action was unusual?

A. Because he was facing in the direction that I was coming from looking at myself and the complainant, and he turned and started looking down Dunkeld Street, and Mike said something like, "What the", and that alerted me he was witnessing something. Ah, and then he, ah, stated, "Stop.", so I was on the sidewalk and I left the sidewalk and went to the street and Michael was yelling, he kept yelling, "Stop". But I hadn't heard anything at that point. And I heard what sounded like a thump to me and I heard a car engine. It sounded like a car was racing, and Michael drew his gun, and so I drew my gun and I started walking just a little faster, and Michael was still yelling, "Stop. Stop", and he got more excited, and, ah, the more excited he got his hands were shaking more like putting them up like, Stop. Stop. Stop like a pumping motion. Ah, and then they kind of went down, and the car had hit him and slammed his whole arm on the hood of the car.

Q. Now that vehicle that struck your partner, where was that vehicle coming in what direction?

A. It was coming up Dunkeld up to Fayston.

Q. From Quincy Street?

A. Ah, I would guess so.

Q And did you see the vehicle? Were you aware of what distracted him initially?

A No, I thought he was witnessing a crime or something, that somebody was running from him when he said "Stop".

Q And then how much time did it take from then to when the car came up the street?

A (Pause).....(Speaks too soft). I don't know.(Speaks too soft). I don't know how many seconds or so.

Q Okay. Was it relatively quick?

A Yes.

Q When it got to the top of the street what happened then? Where was Michael, Officer Paillant at that time?

A At first when he first started yelling stop he was in the middle, ah, of Dunkeld, but he was still on Fayston. But he was like straight line in the middle of Dunkeld.

Q Okay.

A And he started, ah, he was yelling stop and putting his hands up. He stood there for a second doing that and then he started moving to the side to his left, so he was more on the side yelling to stop and that's when the car hit him and he went up on the hood..

Q When the vehicle struck him you said he moved to the left.

A Em hem.

Q What side is of the vehicle struck him?

A Ah, the passenger's side.

Q The passenger's side struck him?

A Yes.

Q And it struck him head on in the front of the vehicle, he was in the front of the vehicle?

A Yes.

Q And what happened after the vehicle struck him?

A Ah, I remember him hitting it and making a loud bang, and him going like (makes a groan sound), and, ah, I couldn't see if he got hit, and then the vehicle kept going. It turned onto Fayston and, ah, that's when I lost sight of Mike being on the hood, and so he must have ran(Not clear) the front of the car or he was on the side of it and he was going to get run over.

Q You believed him to be under the car?

A I believed he might have been trying to hang on near the front cause I lost sight of him and I knew he put his hands.....(Not clear) tried to hang on.

Q When the vehicle struck him and you lost sight of him what happened next?

A Well, when I lost sight of him I just raised my arm cause I had my firearm in my hand, and I just(Not clear) running into a parked car.....(Not clear) run over him, and so it just ran into him without stopping, and I couldn't believe that they didn't stop for him and they just kept going and I didn't see him. (Sounds like).

Q. Now at what point did you discharge your firearm?

A. When I lost sight of Mike I raised my hand and I just took a breath and I shot.....(Speaks too soft).

Q. Now when you fired at the vehicle do you recall how many times you fired at it?

A. Three or four times.

Q. And where was the vehicle at that point when you fired, was it still on Dunkeld Street or was it?

A. No. It was on Fayston, most of it. The whole car was on Fayston.

Q. Most of it was onto Fayston?

A. Yes.

Q. And do you know where you first struck the vehicle, what part of the vehicle you struck?

A. No,.....(Speaks too soft)..

Q. Okay. Do you know how many passengers were in the vehicle?

A. No, I don't.

Q. Did you see anybody in the vehicle?

A. No.

Q. Now at the angle that you fired from where were you positioned?

A. Ah, you mean where was I standing?

Q. Yes.

A. I was standing, ah, off the sidewalk, but not really too much into the street. I'd

say I was kind of straddling like the line of the parked cars.

Q What type of position did you fire from?

A Ah, just standing..... (Not clear, both talking at once)..

Q In a standing position. Did you use a one-hand grip or a two-hand grip?

A I don't recall.

Q After you discharged your firearm did the vehicle stop at that point?

A No, it didn't. Ah, it appeared that it slowed down and I saw one of the doors open. It looked like the, ah, front passenger door had opened.

Q Did anybody exit the vehicle when that door opened?

A No. Ah, when the door opened I, ah, was ordering it to stop. I thought to myself that they're stopping and I lowered my arm and, ah, that's when I saw Mike out of my peripheral vision. I saw him getting up.

Q And that was the first time that you saw your partner?

A Yes.

Q After since he got hit?

A Em hem.

Q So the entire time where did you think your partner was then?

A I thought he was on the front of the car, or he may have hit something, got hit.

Q Could you have stopped that vehicle in any other way?

A No.

Q That was the only alternative that you had?

A That was the only, the only way I saw that I could have stopped it.

Q After the vehicle appeared to slow down or stop and the door opened what happened next?

A Ah, that's when I lowered my arm. As I lowered my arm I could see Mike and, ah, I thought the car was going to stop or somebody was going to get out. But then it turned and I was like (makes a soft pfft sound) and Mike, it looked like Mike just started running after the vehicle.

Q And in what direction did the vehicle go to?

A It took a right turn down Perth Street.

Q Which is how far away would you approximate Perth Street from Dunkeld, what is distance?

A I don't know.

Q Is it a short distance or a long distance?

A It's a short distance because. Yes, when I ran I got to the next street pretty quickly.

Q Okay. And did you observe the vehicle going down the street, down Perth Street?

A No.

Q You never observed it?

A I didn't see it going down Perth Street.

Q When did you next see the vehicle after he turned, you made it to Perth Street?

A Ah, once I ran down Perth I saw the vehicle on Quincy Street, ah, going up Quincy Street towards Blue Hill Ave.

Q Okay. At anytime from the moment that Officer Paillant was struck by the vehicle, was run over by the vehicle did you see a police cruiser in the area?

A No.

Q You never saw any cruisers?

A I didn't see any. When he got struck?

Q When he got struck?

A No, I didn't see any.

Q After the car, after the car left the scene after striking him -

A Um hem.

Q Did you see a cruiser after that?

A Yes.

Q Where was the cruiser coming from?

A I believe it was coming. I'm not sure, cause I got. When I started running I got just past Dunkeld and then I just saw the cruiser coming by me.

Q So you were in between Perth and Dunkeld -

A Yes.

Q Would that be fair to say?

A Right.

Q And that's when you first observed the vehicle?

A Um hem.

Q And did that police vehicle did it have emergency equipment activated?

A Yes, I believe the lights were on.

Q The lights. Did you hear any sirens at all?

A I didn't. I don't recall.

Q And you don't know where that came from, that vehicle, that police vehicle came from?

A No, I don't know where it came from.

Q Okay. Did that vehicle stop and to ask you anything, or help you, or?

A No, they just kept going.

Q Did you give that vehicle any indication of where to go?

A I don't recall.....(Not clear, both talking at once).

Q Well, did you give any radio transmissions?

A I attempted to, but, ah, I realized that I really wasn't giving anything that would be coherent, so I stopped.

Q Let me ask you this, how long have you been assigned to District 3?

A Ah, I was transferred there last November.

Q Last November?

A Around Thanksgiving.

Q And during that course of that assignment were you ever assigned to District 2?

A Ah, when I was on probation I was on probation on District 2.

Q Are you familiar with that area?

A Just the main streets off Blue Hill Ave. and Dudley Street.

Q So it's fair to say you didn't know your location at the time -

A No.

Q. of the incident?

A. No, I didn't..

Q. When you turned down Perth Street, ran down Perth Street onto Quincy Street you said you observed the suspect vehicle?

A. Yes.

Q. And when you observed the suspect's vehicle was the vehicle stopped?

A. No, it was still moving.

Q. Were the doors of the vehicle opened or closed?

A. Ah, it appeared that all the doors were open.

Q. All the doors were open -

A. Yes.

Q. and the vehicle was still rolling?

A. The vehicle was still moving.

Q. Were there any police vehicles in the area at that time?

A. Yes, I saw some police, ah, vehicles coming from Quincy Street coming from the, ah, Columbia Road side.

Q. Okay. Now that vehicle, the police vehicle you saw when you were running down Fayston Street -

A. Em hem.

Q. Did you happen to see that vehicle on Quincy Street?

A. (Pause). I don't know which vehicle it was.

Q. Okay. All right. Let me rephrase that.

A.(Not clear, both talking at once) were so many police cars I don't know I didn't distinguish which car that had passed me.

Q. So by the time you got to Quincy Street there were several police cruisers there?

A. Yes.

Q. Coming from the direction of Columbia Road?

A.(Not clear, both talking at once). Yes, I saw them coming.

Q. Did you monitor your police radio at that time, were you monitoring it?

A. Yes.

Q. Were those vehicles from your area, from District 2 and 3?

A. Ah, I think they were from 2.

Q. Okay. When you got to Quincy Street did you ever see your partner?

A. Yes.

Q. And where was your partner at that point?

A. Ah, maybe about a half a block from Perth and he was in some back yard, in between two houses.

Q. On Quincy Street or on Perth?

A. Yes, on Quincy Street. He was yelling, "Over here. Over here."

Q. So he was in the yards on Quincy Street?

A. Yes.

Q. And did he advise you where the suspects were?

A. I went over, ah, and he was like, and he said, "They're over here. They're over

here. I hear them. I heard them.”, and I said, “Mike, are you okay?”, and he said, “Yeah. They’re over here. I don’t have a light.” So, ah, I turned to the street and flashed my flashlight at one of the cruisers coming towards me so they would stop here, right, -

Q. Bm hem.

A. and not be going down where the car was. And then there were two cars.....(Not clear) .and couple of guys got out and they started searching that back yard.

Q. And did you talk with your partner again?

A. Ah, I just, I looked, I said,.....(Not clear) “Are you okay?”, and he’s like, “Yeah. I know they’re over here”, and he said, “They were hopping fences. I heard them.”, and then he left the back yard, and I stayed back there. (sounds like tape clicks).

Q. Did he give you a description of any suspects or clothing description?

A. No, he didn’t give me any. No. He didn’t, no. He just said that they’re back there and then he ran out of the back yard.

Q. And back out onto Quincy Street?

A. Yes.

Q. What did you, you remained in the back yard?

A. I was in the back yard and, ah, I searched around. It wasn’t a big area. I was looking over the fence. A couple of the other guys had already climbed the fence and I stayed back the whole time and I(Not clear) around, ah,

and then I came out of the back yard.....(Speaks too soft)..

Q Now did you still have your firearm out or was it holstered at this point?

A As a matter of fact I did have it out, because one of the, one of the, when I flashed for the cruiser to stop one of the guys did, "Relax. Put your gun away.", and then I said, "Oh", and I put it back in the holster.

Q Okay. And after you completed your search of the back yard what happened next?

A I came back out to Quincy Street where I met my sergeant.

Q And what did your sergeant say?

A He, ah, he asked if I was okay and then he said, ah, he asked who fired, fired the shot, and I said it was me, and he asked for my weapon.

Q And what was your sergeant's name that night?

A Ah, Sergeant Santry.

Q And after you surrendered your weapon to Sergeant Santry what occurred next?

A Ah, told me to sit down in a motor vehicle.....(Not clear) a police vehicle and wait for the EMTs to come, and everybody was looking for Mike. They were wondering where he went..

Q And did they finally find Mike?

A Yes, he finally came back.

Q And were you aware if he sustained any injuries as a result of being struck by the motor vehicle?

A Ah, at that time, no. I mean I know he got hit. I didn't know to what extent he

bad, you know, for injuries.

Q Were you surprised to see that he was still up and walking after he got struck by the vehicle?

A Yeah, that's(Speaks too soft) Yes. When he ran it kind of shocked me. And that's why when I finally caught up to him.....(Speaks too soft) I caught up to him and said, "Are you okay?", and he's just like, "Yeah, I'm okay. Come back here", and then the next thing I knew he just took off around the corner.

Q What was, ah, Officer Paillant, what was his demeanor when you caught up with him?

A When I first caught up with him?

Q Yes.

A Ah, he was loud. He was pretty excited. Ah, he was really excited saying, "I know they're back here. They're back here. I heard them hopping the fences."

Q Ah, Sergeant Coleman, do you have any questions?

SGT. COLEMAN:

Q I just have a couple of things. Sergeant Coleman for the record. Ah, Officer Taylor, ah, we initially set down here about seven thirty this evening and, ah, I know Sergeant Wyse since when we began the tape read through a Miranda form. But, ah, is it fair to say that at seven thirty-five Sergeant Wyse also displayed the Boston Police Miranda Warning form with you?

A Yes.

Q Ah, you initialed each line indicating you understood the rights and the attorneys involved and myself also witnessed the form. Is that accurate?

A Yes.

Q Okay. Ah, the other thing, ah, the who uses Channel 3 on the Boston Police radio system?

A Ah, Area B.

Q Area B-2.

A B-2 and B-3.

Q B-2 and B-3?

A Yes.

Q Okay. And, ah, are you aware of what district Fayston and Dunkeld Street is on?

A Ah, I believe it's on B-2.

Q On B-2?

A Yes.

Q And you're assigned to B-3, so your investigation took you to B-2 District?

A Right.

Q Okay. And that's all the same radio channel?

A Yes, it is..

Q Okay. Ah, I think you told Sergeant Wyse that you weren't aware of any other incident taking place, ah, on that Channel at least that you were monitoring?

A. No.

Q. Okay. Ah, you had made, while you were describing Officer Paillant's motion, ah, signaling the vehicle to stop, while you were speaking I noticed you were raising your hand -

A. Ah hem.

Q. In different fashions. Ah, did Officer Paillant raise, actually raise his hands at any point?

A. Yes, he, ah, he had his hand up all the time he was saying stop.

Q. He had his hand up or both?

A. He had his hand up. At first he had both hands when he initially said stop. He said, "Hey, you, stop.", and, ah, he said that a few times, and then that's when I heard the noise, and I could hear the car, and that's when he drew his gun. So he had one hand up and he had his gun in the other hand and kept saying, "Stop."(Speaks too soft), you know..

Q. Okay. And I think you also mentioned to us that as the car approached him he made a movement to his left?

A. Yes. ;

Q. All right. Can you tell me a little bit about that movement that he made?

A. He, ah, as the car was coming closer that I could hear he started saying "Stop" in a more excited way like, "Stop, stop, stop. Stop", and he stepped to the left of the car, ah,.....(Not clear).

Q. His stepping to the left just so that I can be clear on this, is that movement

closer to the sidewalk or closer to the middle of the street?

A. No, it's closer to the sidewalk.

Q. All right. And that would be the sidewalk?

A. The sidewalk right near the corner of, ah, Dunkeld and Fayston.

Q. Dunkeld and Fayston, -

A. Yeah.

Q. but closer to -

A. Perth.

Q. on the side that would be by Perth. Is that accurate?

A. Yes.

Q. Okay. Ah, the motion that he made moving to his left, ah, were you able to make any conclusions about what that motion, what he was doing in that motion?

A. It looked like he thought the car would stop and he realized it wouldn't, so I would say he was trying to get out of the way.

Q. All right. At the point you were making these observations, ah, I think you had mentioned to us you were coming from 85 Dunkeld (Sounds like) walking with this woman?

A. Right.

Q. Now just for the record 85, I'm sorry 85 Fayston.

A. Fayston, I'm sorry.

Q. If I was to drive down Dunkeld Street how would I get to 85 Fayston, would I

take a left or a right?

A. A left.

Q. All right. If, ah, and I think you told us the car in question was turning right on Fayston Street. Is that accurate?

A. Yes.

Q. All right. So you were on the opposite side of that?

A. Right.

Q. Okay. About how. What was the distance approximately when you first made these observations of Officer Paillant moving to his left?

A. Ah, about three or four car lengths?

Q. Three or four car lengths?

A. Yes.

Q. At the point the vehicle was turning, I think you had told us that it was partially onto Fayston Street?

A. Yes.

Q. And Officer Paillant had been struck by the vehicle?

A. Yes.

Q. Okay. Do you know what part of the vehicle struck Officer Paillant when you made these observations?

A. It was the front passenger's side of the vehicle.

Q. All right. At some point you lost sight of Officer Paillant?

A. Yes, ah, when the vehicle when he got on the hood and as the vehicle

continued to turn onto Fayston I lost sight of him. .

Q At what point did you fire your weapon?

A After I lost sight of him I raised my arm, I raised the weapon and I think I just took a breath and then that's when I fired.

Q Okay. At the point that you fired could you see Officer Paillant?

A No.

Q Do you know where Officer Paillant was?

A I don't know where he was. But the last I saw him was on the car.

Q And can you tell me approximately how far away at the point that you fired, how far from the vehicle?

A Ah, (pause), I'm not sure. Cause I think I stopped walking. I was moving towards Michael and then I think I stopped when he got hit

Q Your vehicle was parked on Fayston Street. Is that accurate?

A Yes.

Q Do you, if you know, do you know if you were in any relationship to your cruiser?

A Ah, ,

Q As a reference.

A I know I hadn't made it to the cruiser yet, so I was still further up Fayston. Ah, I don't remember how far away I was from our parked cruiser.

Q After you fired these rounds when was the next time you saw Officer Paillant?

A When I lowered my arm.

Q And where did you see him?

A I saw him out of my peripheral vision. He was (END OF SIDE A)

SGT. DET. WYSE:

Q The time is approximately nine o'clock p.m. We're now on Side B of this tape which had stopped. Ah, for the record, Sergeant Coleman.

SGT. DET. COLEMAN:

Q Yes. Officer Paillant (Sounds like).. I think you were describing for us where Officer Paillant was the next you made an observation, this would have been after you discharged your firearm.

A Ah, out of the corner of my eyes I could see him and it looked like he was at the corner of Dunkeld and Fayston, maybe a little further down from the intersection.

Q Okay. What was he doing when you saw him?

A It looked like he was getting up.

Q Getting up?

A Yeah, from the ground.

Q From the ground.

A And then I could just see him start running. He started running down Fayston towards(Speaks too soft).

Q Okay. And at that point I think you had mentioned you came along Fayston, there was a cruiser that passed by you?

A Yes.

Q At some point you ended up down in the area of Perth Street and Quincy Street?

A Right.

Q Okay. Ah, you saw officer Paillant in one of the yards?

A Ah, yes.

Q Okay. At that point were you aware that, ah, that anybody had been struck during this incident?

A No.

Q Okay. Had you at anytime. Where was the vehicle. When you were in the yard and you saw Officer Paillant and the other officer where was the vehicle?

A Ah, the suspect's?

Q Where was the suspect's vehicle at the time?

A It had to be maybe a hundred yards away. It seemed like it was a mile away down Quincy Street.

Q Did you.

A And it was rolling and that's the last I saw of it.....(Not clear, both talking at once).

Q Did you go to that vehicle? Did you approach that vehicle at all?

A No

Q Okay. Ah, at some point did you become aware that somebody had been, ah, struck in that vehicle?

A I did when I was at the hospital.

Q At the hospital. Do you recall when that was, was it immediately upon arriving at the hospital?

A No, no. Four o'clock (Sounds like)..

Q Okay. I have nothing further at this time.

SGT. DET. WYSE:

Q A couple of quick questions. What was the lighting condition like, where?

A At the corner of Dunkeld and Fayston it was pretty well lit. But along the street itself there were trees. It seemed like it was pretty dark.....(Not clear). I remember it being kind of dark..

Q Officer Paillant when he was attempting to stop the vehicle was he, was it fair? The lighting condition would it be fair to say you could see him clearly?

A Oh, yes, definitely.

Q Okay. Why did you fire your gun?

A Cause I felt that, ah, Officer Paillant had just gotten hit and I thought he was still on the vehicle, he was going to get run over, smashed into a parked car. So I just wanted to stop the car from moving.

Q And as result of you firing that weapon did the car in fact stop?

A It never stopped. The, ah. It appeared that it slowed down and a door opened.

Q And when that door opened and it slowed down that's when you observed your partner getting up?

A Yes.

Q Okay. Ah, one quick question. When was the last time you qualified at the

range?

A A few months ago.

Q So it was with this year?

A Oh, yes.

Q And when you qualified did you have a passing mark?

A (Heard no answer).

SGT. DET. COLEMAN:

Q Sergeant Coleman for the record. Officer Taylor, are you aware of whether anyone was apprehended in those yards that morning as the result of fleeing that vehicle?

A. Ah, no, I didn't know anybody was apprehended. Ah, I learned when I got to the hospital that someone told me that the girl had jumped out of the car.
.....(Not clear) jumping out of a moving car. And that's all I knew until about four o'clock when someone told me that another person, a girl had got shot.

Q Okay. Sergeant Coleman. I have nothing further.

SGT. DET. WYSE:

Q I have no further questions. Ah, Attorney Drechsler, do you have anything?

ATTY. DRECHSLER: No, thank you.

Q Is there anything you'd like to add for the record?

A. No.

Q All right. The time now is approximately nine o'seven. We're going to

conclude this interview. I want to thank you very much for your cooperation,

sir.

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